

E. Montpelier. 23d. C. mo. '62

My precious mother—

I am not certain as this letter will reach thee— we expected to hear from thee last 7th. day night— when to look for thee— how— and where thee was— &c— hope thee is well— and that we shall see thee soon, as last— of this week. They are all well up home— Jamie and Elsie went to Plainfield yesterday— Uncle Timothy rather grows worse— has those spells oftener and more violent— has tried once or twice to stroke aunt P. How much like grandmother— should think they would have to confine him. We are well— Horace has gone to Bradford to attend a Masonic celebration

tomorrow. Levi Persons got home yesterday - is discharged - quite lame they say. Isn't it too bad Willie could not come home - Isaac has been sent for by the Col. he has gone today to Burlington to see if Thayer thinks him fit to return - if he says he must go back - says he shall go on and resign - for he knows he is not able to endure camp life now. Have heard from Ann - she is well - Hope soon to see her - respects to cousin Joseph's family - love as ever from  
Mary -

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My dear dear mother - we did not  
get the letter till last night - after  
dark - so little H. could not attend  
the May party - was sorry - for he  
would have been very happy to have  
you. Horace thinks we will try to  
go to G. Lawsons funeral - but Howard  
wants to go to meeting and I love to  
have <sup>him</sup> if convenient - He may go home  
with you - and stay till tomorrow  
morning - should be very glad to see  
thee - & feel so every day. I have written  
this morning to Ann & L - ~~by~~ by &  
by thinks I will to W & Y.

What beautiful days we have --  
how exactly like two years ago --  
a little while -- dear mother  
& I hope we may enter that  
land where all is sunshine  
H. may stay till Hoosier comes  
home from the village --  
love to all from  
Mary